



1 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED by and between the parties through their undersigned counsel,  
 2 subject to the approval of the Court, that Plaintiff Michael Browder (Plaintiff) be awarded attorney fees  
 3 and expenses in the amount of SIX THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED, EIGHTY-TWO DOLLARS AND  
 4 FIFTY-EIGHT CENTS (\$6,182.58) under the Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA), 28 U.S.C.  
 5 § 2412(d). This amount represents compensation for all legal services rendered on behalf of Plaintiff by  
 6 counsel in connection with this civil action, in accordance with 28 U.S.C. §§ 1920; 2412(d).

7 After the Court issues an order for EAJA fees to Plaintiff, the government will consider the  
 8 matter of Plaintiff's assignment of EAJA fees to the Law Office of Katherine Siegfried. Pursuant to  
 9 *Astrue v. Ratliff*, 560 U.S. 586, 598, 130 S.Ct. 2521, 177 L.Ed.2d 91 (2010), the ability to honor the  
 10 assignment will depend on whether the fees are subject to any offset allowed under the United States  
 11 Department of the Treasury's Offset Program. After the order for EAJA fees is entered, the government  
 12 will determine whether they are subject to any offset.

13 Fees shall be made payable to Plaintiff, but if the Department of the Treasury determines that  
 14 Plaintiff does not owe a federal debt, then the government shall cause the payment of fees, expenses and  
 15 costs to be made directly to the Law Office of Katherine Siegfried, pursuant to the assignment executed  
 16 by Plaintiff. Any payments made shall be delivered to the Law Office of Katherine Siegfried.

17 This stipulation constitutes a compromise settlement of Plaintiff's request for EAJA attorney  
 18 fees, and does not constitute an admission of liability on the part of Defendant under the EAJA or  
 19 otherwise. Payment of the agreed amount shall constitute a complete release from, and bar to, any and  
 20 all claims that Plaintiff and/or counsel including the Law Office of Katherine Siegfried may have  
 21 relating to EAJA attorney fees in connection with this action.

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1 This award is without prejudice to the rights of counsel and/or the Law Office of Katherine  
2 Siegfried to seek Social Security Act attorney fees under 42 U.S.C. § 406(b), subject to the savings  
3 clause provisions of the EAJA.

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5 Respectfully submitted,

6 Dated: March 25, 2016

LAW OFFICE OF KATHERINE SIEGFRIED

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11 Dated: March 25, 2016

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1 Based upon the parties' Stipulation for the Award and Payment of Attorney Fees and Expenses  
2 Pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d), IT IS ORDERED that fees and  
3 expenses in the amount of \$6,182.58 as authorized by 28 U.S.C. § 2412 be awarded subject to the terms  
4 of the Stipulation.

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7 Dated: 3/25/16

  
HON. KANDIS A. WESTMORE  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE